

OMWBE Participates in Access To Capital/Contract Financing Seminars with East West Bank and US Dept of Transportation

On July 27 and 28, 2011 US Dept of Transportation's Northwest Office of Small Business Technical Resource Center partnered with East West Bank to conduct two seminars. Over 50 firms attended the two events to learn about USDOT's short term lending program for DBE firms working on transportation projects. In July, East West Bank placed the first loan with WAKA Group, Inc., an OMWBE certified DBE. OMWBE also presented on the State's Linked Deposit Program. Over 50 firms attended the two events held in at East West's Bank in Bellevue and at William Factory Incubator in Tacoma. Shown in the pictures are the seminar presenters - **Bellevue:** Cathy Canorro, OMWBE; Nancy Strine, USDOT, Office of Secretary; Lily Keeffe, NWSBTRC, and Tom Chang, East West Bank; **Tacoma:** Cathy Canorro, OMWBE, Kim Rice, East West Bank; Lily Keeffe, NWSBTRC; Andy Wilson, President, WAKA Group; Matthew Anderson, NWSBTRC; Tom Chang, Sr. VP, East West Bank and Nancy Strine, USDOT, Office of Secretary)



